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SUBJ: UNSSOD NEGATIVE SECURITY ASSURANCES

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1. DCM CALLED ON BLUE HOUSE SECRETARY GENERAL KIM CHUNG YUM AND PROTOCOL SECRETARY CHOI KWANG SOO TO DISCUSS REFERENCE SUBJECT. BLUE HOUSE STAFF WAS PROVIDED DETAILED BACKGROUND ON BOTH SSOD IN GENERAL AND NEGATIVE SECURITY ASSURANCES IN PARTICULAR, FOLLOWING TALKING POINTS IN REFTEL AND OTHER MATERIAL AVAILABLE TO EMBASSY.

2. SECRETARY GENERAL TOOK DETAILED NOTES, PARTICULARLY ON FORMULATION OF THE ASSURANCES WE ARE CONTEMPLATING. KIM AND CHOI SEEM TO BE SATISFIED THAT PRESENT FORMULATION WOULD EXCLUDE NORTH KOREA, BUT ASKED SPECIFIC QUESTION ABOUT THE INTERPRETATION OF THE WORD "ASSOCIATED". DCM STATED THAT HE ASSUMED THAT INCLUDED IN THIS CONCEPT WERE POSSIBILITY OF MANPOWER ASSISTANCE AND MILITARY AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE IN CASE OF AN ATTACK. QUESTION WAS RAISED WHETHER THE WORD WOULD ALSO ENCOMPASS A SITUATION IN WHICH THE

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ATTACKING POWER WOULD BE USING HARDWARE PURCHASED FROM A NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATE AT SOMETIME IN THE PAST. DCM COMMITTED HIMSELF TO OBTAIN INTERPRETATION OF THE WORD FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

3. IN CLOSING, KIM SAID HE WOULD REPORT THE CONVERSATION TO THE PRESIDENT AND WOULD PROVIDE AT LEAST A PRELIMINARY

ROKG VIEW BY THURSDAY COB. IN THE MEANTIME, EMBASSY
WOULD APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION OF THE WORD "ASSOCIATED".
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